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Re: Portland Harbor Superfund Site

Dear Ms. Yamamoto:

This is to request an extension to January 23, 2009 for Ashland Inc. to respond to USEPA's 104(e) Request for Information regarding its formerly owned facility at 2308 North Clark Avenue, Portland, Oregon, regarding the Portland Harbor Superfund Site. Ashland's response regarding this facility is currently due November 29, 2008. An extension is necessary for Ashland to continue to complete its due diligence in interviewing former/current Ashland employees, and reviewing significant additional documents that have been located in the last seven days for information to provide accurate and truthful responses to your questions.

Your consideration is greatly appreciated, and we look forward to receiving your response.

Sincerely,

David M. Abner / rca

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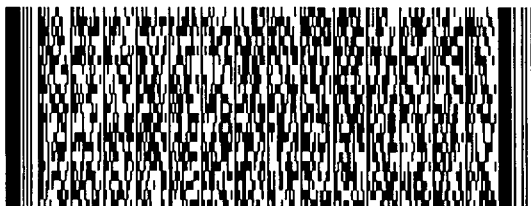
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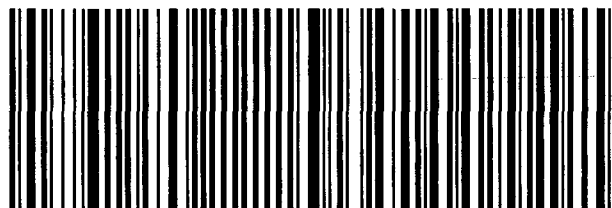
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